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**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraph [0030] with the following amended paragraph:

[0030] FIG 4 shows a second embodiment of a molding machine of the present invention. The molding machine 4 is similar to the above-described molding machine 2 of the first embodiment. Like reference numerals in FIG. 4 correspond to like components in FIG. 1. A cavity 426 of a mold 42 has a symmetric shape, such that a thickness of the cavity 426 progressively increases from a center thereof to each of opposite ends thereof. That is, the cavity 426 has a double-wedge shape in cross-section. Fluid passageways 428, 429 are parallel to a side wall 4261 of a male plate 421 of the mold 42.